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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present amendment is filed prior to continued examination in this application, and is responsive to the Office Action dated May 28, 2009. A request for continued examination ("RCE") is transmitted herewith.

Claims 1, and 26-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C §103(a) as being unpatentable over Japanese Publication No. 2003-242122 to Kazuhiro et al. ("Kazuhiro") in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0012156 to Fukuda ("Fukuda"), and in further view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/01588960 to Engberg ("Engberg"). Applicants traverse the rejections.

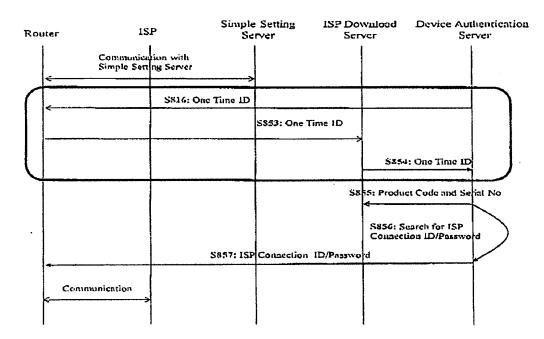
Rejections of the Independent Claims

Claim 1 includes the recitation of "a first sending unit operable to send the third identification information to the third information processing apparatus." In rejecting this recitation the Examiner referred to Kazuhiro Paragraphs [0016], [0021], and [0022]. Applicants respectfully disagree that Kazuhiro teaches or suggests this recitation.

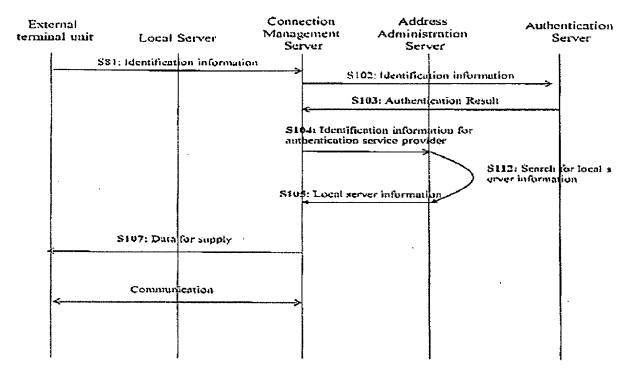
However, without acquiescence to the above rejections, in an effort to expedite allowance, Applicants have amended each of independent claims 1, and 26-28. As amended, independent claim 1, and similarly amended independent claims 26-28, recites "wherein the third identification information includes a one-time ID, the one-time ID being generated in the first information processing apparatus." Applicants respectfully disagree that Kazuhiro teaches, suggests, or even discloses the above recitations.

Specifically, Kazuhiro does not teach, suggest, or disclose that information is sent from a first apparatus to a second apparatus, then sent from the second apparatus to a third apparatus, and finally sent back from the third apparatus to the

first apparatus that generates the information. In an effort to exemplify the distinction between Applicants' claimed recitation and that disclosed by Kazuhiro Applicants have included the following illustrations. Applicants have included these by way of example only, to better illustrate the distinctions between that disclosed by Kazuhiro and that claimed above. Example 1 illustrates Applicant's claimed sequence of connections. illustrates Kazuhiro's disclosed sequence Example connections.



Example 1: Example of Applicant's claimed sequence of connections.



Example 2: Example of Kazuhiro's disclosed sequence of connections.

illustrates Applicants' Example 1 recitation for example, FIGS. corresponding to, 33-34 and accompanying Example 2 illustrates the sequence of connections Kazuhiro corresponding to, for example, FIG. 29 as well as the described in Paragraphs [0016], [0022]. [0021], and Accordingly, the distinction between Kazuhiro and Applicants' claimed recitation is clearly depicted by these illustrations. That is, Kazuhiro does not teach, suggest, or disclose that information is sent from a first apparatus to a second apparatus, then sent from the second apparatus to a third apparatus, and finally sent back from the third apparatus to the first apparatus that generates the information. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

New dependent Claims

Applicants have included new dependent claims 29-31. No new matter is introduced by these claims. Support can be found in the figures and specification, for example, at FIGS. 33-34 and accompanying.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he/she telephone Applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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